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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act providing an individual income tax credit for certain
- supplies purchased by a teacher and including retroactive
- 3 applicability provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 422.11Y Teacher expense credit.
- The taxes imposed under this division, less the credits
- 3 allowed under section 422.12, shall be reduced by a teacher
- 4 expense credit equal to the first two hundred fifty dollars
- 5 of the cost incurred to purchase supplies by the taxpayer to
- 6 assist the taxpayer in teaching at an elementary or secondary
- 7 school situated in Iowa, which school is accredited under
- 8 section 256.11. To qualify for the credit, the costs must be
- 9 nonreimbursable from any source. If the cost incurred has been
- 10 deducted in computing federal adjusted gross income, the amount
- 11 of such deduction shall be added in determining net income
- 12 under section 422.7. Any credit in excess of the tax liability
- 13 is nonrefundable.
- 2. As used in this section, "supplies" includes but is
- 15 not limited to paper supplies, bulletin boards, books, maps,
- 16 charts, computer software but not hardware, and other items
- 17 directly used by the taxpayer as a teacher. The cost incurred
- 18 to purchase supplies for which a tax credit may be received
- 19 under this section shall not be used by a school district to
- 20 supplement its costs of instructional materials.
- 21 Sec. 2. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act applies
- 22 retroactively to January 1, 2011, for tax years beginning on
- 23 or after that date.
- 24 EXPLANATION
- 25 This bill provides an income tax credit of up to \$250 for
- 26 teachers that incur expenses for supplies directly used by
- 27 them in teaching at accredited elementary or secondary schools
- 28 in Iowa. To qualify, the expenses must be nonreimbursable
- 29 from any source. If the expenses were deducted in computing
- 30 federal adjusted gross income, the deduction shall be added
- 31 in determining Iowa net income. These supplies include paper
- 32 supplies, bulletin boards, books, maps, charts, computer
- 33 software but not hardware, and other similar items directly
- 34 used by the taxpayer as a teacher. The cost incurred to
- 35 purchase supplies for which a tax credit may be received under

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- 1 this Code section shall not be used by a school district to
- 2 supplement its costs of instructional materials.
- 3 The bill applies retroactively to January 1, 2011, for tax
- 4 years beginning on or after that date.